

MATERIAL MARKET UPDATE

The premier bourse lost 328 points (-4.48%) during the month amid a volatile market as investors engaged in profit booking and portfolio rebalancing as a large number of companies declared their earnings and dividends. Moreover, listed companies have been publishing their earnings and dividends based on which investors have been restructuring their portfolios. However, the some of the encouraging earnings and dividend declarations were not reflected in the stock prices. In addition, rising inflation triggered by surging prices of global commodities has been posing a threat to the earnings of listed companies. The depreciation of the BDT against the USD, coupled with the central bank's recent measures to drain excess liquidity from the banking system and tightened supervision of banks' investment in the capital market have left investors in qualms that the market could face lower liquidity supply in the market from banks. The recent bearish trend in the market have made investors cautious, which prevented them from putting fresh bets on stocks. Hence, cautious investors opted for profit booking as they sought to book gains from stocks that reached a peak and subsequently refrained from reinvesting their funds and observed the market from the sidelines. Average daily turnover declined by -19.70% compared to the previous month. During the month, the securities regulator decided to suspend the IPO quota facilities for 15 merchant banks and 8 asset management companies that have been dodging licensing conditions and filed a case against a company for attempting to manipulate its share price. In addition, the DSE resumed trading of government treasury bonds after sixteen years.

Forex reserves stood at USD 46.5 billion in October, exhibiting a slight decline of 0.6% from the previous month in the face of rising import payments and slower remittances. Apparel exporters' continuous import to meet excess demand ahead of the peak season and rising global fuel-oil prices pushed imports up by 47.6% in Jul-Sep on YoY basis. Exports also manifested a remarkable growth of 60.37% in October, taking the Jul-Oct export growth to 22.62% on YoY. Relocation of work orders to Bangladesh due to rising production costs in peer countries, settlement of deferred payments, bulk purchases for Christmas, and adjustment in price charged due to increased freight costs and raw materials were the major contributors to the growth. On the other hand, remittances, which has been steadily shrinking since the last five months, continued to fall in October by 4.60% from the previous month. Even though global FDI strongly rebounded between Jan-Jun' 2021, Bangladesh's FDI declined by 4.74% during the same period amid the red tape and regulatory hurdles of our country. The marked increase in the demand for USD pushed up the USD/BDT exchange rate to BDT 90.10 in the open market for the first time in its history, while the interbank dollar exchange rate now stands at BDT 85.70, creating uncertainty among businesses regarding import cost and inflation. Consequently, Bangladesh bank has intensified its intervention to ensure stability in the forex market and sold USD 1.38 bn so far in this FY, and this along with the skyrocketing LC settlement (47% YoY growth in Jul-Sep) has brought down excess liquidity in our economy from its historical high of BDT 2,317 bn in June to BDT 2,196 bn in September. Global recovery of demand has ramped up prices of commodities and food items and thereby, pushed inflation up to 5.59% in September. Meanwhile, BBS has adopted a new base year of 2015-16 for GDP calculation with a view to dispensing a better depiction of the economy and making informed policy decisions. This has resulted in a downward revision of GDP growth rate of recent years while GDP size for FY 2021 now stands at \$409 bn (15.7% higher).

KEY NEWS UPDATE

MACROECONOMY

- BB intensifies intervention as dollar hits new high of BDT 85.70: https://rb.gy/cd5r0v
- RMG orders pour in as Western economies reopen: https://rb.gy/7oongz
- Foreign aid disbursal surges in Jul-Sep, but commitments fall by 88%: https://rb.gy/foafdw
- FDI drops \$56 mn in first half of 2021: https://rb.gy/2dyyjd
- Tax revenue grows almost 17% in first quarter: https://rb.gy/ygyzs0
- Inflation inches up further in Sept to 5.59%: https://rb.gy/xdyirv
- Bangladesh now a \$409 bn economy: https://rb.gy/rjdfeh
- Liquidity crunch looms as imports, credit demand on the rise: https://rb.gy/rgrlcw
- Private sector credit sees 8.77% rise in Sept: https://rb.gy/ceond2
- Remittance flow into Bangladesh drops to \$1.65b in Oct: https://rb.gy/aflgz2

CAPITAL MARKET

- Country's first commodity exchange in CSE: https://rb.gy/411uuu
- DSE sees biggest fall in 7 months: https://rb.gy/yeymzf
- DSE adds two new companies to core index: https://rb.gy/eljwec
- Govt. plans to create BDT 8.5 bn revolving fund for capital market: https://rb.gy/sy21nn
- Regulator to allow brokers, merchant banks to issue bonds: https://rb.gy/gnykxw

INTERNATIONAL

- US retail sales rose 0.7% in September: https://rb.gy/n1kswb
- UK retail sales fall 0.2% in September: https://rb.gy/s7wpnb
- Supply chain crisis risks taking the global economy down with it: https://rb.gy/ime8wh



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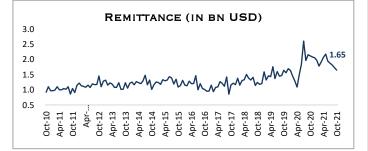
	FY 2021-22	FY 2020-21	% CHANGE
EXPORT (MN \$) (JUL-OCT.)	15,749	12,845	22.6%
IMPORT (MN \$) (JUL-SEPT.)	18,720	12,687	47.6%
REMITTANCES (MN \$) (JUL-OCT.)	7,055	8,826	-20.1%
TAX REVENUE (NBR) (MN \$) (JUL-SEPT.)	6,881	7,679	-10.4%
TOTAL DOMESTIC CREDIT (MN \$) (SEPTEMBER)	173,220	157,189	10.2%
CREDIT TO THE PRIVATE SECTOR (MN \$) (SEPTEMBER)	142,774	131,260	8.8%
BROAD MONEY M2 (MN \$) (SEPTEMBER)	187,019	168,184	11.2%
LC OPENING OF INDUSTRIAL RAW MATERIAL (MN \$) (JUL-SEPT.)	6,473	4,342	49.1%
LC OPENING OF CAPITAL MACHINERY (MN \$) (JUL-SEPT.)	938	789	18.8%
CURRENT ACCOUNT BALANCE (MN \$) (JUL-AUG.)	(1,243)	3,228	-138.5%
NET SALES OF NATIONAL SAVINGS CERTIFICATES (MN \$) (JUL-SEPT.)	1,009	1,375	-26.6%
	OCTOBER'21	SEPTEMBER'21	% CHANGE
FOREIGN EXCHANGE RESERVE (MN \$)	46,497	46,223	0.6%
CALL RATE (WEIGHTED AVERAGE RATE)	2.33	2.17	7.4%
TAKA-DOLLAR EXCHANGE RATE (AVG)	85.70	84.80	1.1%
	SEPTEMBER'21	AUGUST'21	% CHANGE
US RETAIL SALES (MN \$)	625,416	620,850	0.7%
UK RETAIL SALES (MN \$)	12,363	12,391	-0.2%

SOURCE: BANGLADESH BANK, US CENSUS BUREAU, UK OFFICE FOR NATIONAL STATISTICS

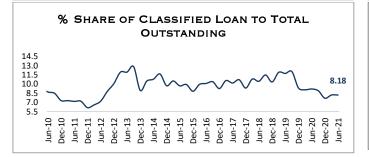
EXPORT EARNINGS INCREASED BY 60.37% IN OCTOBER YOY DUE TO INCREASING APPAREL SHIPMENTS, BULK PURCHASES FOR CHRISTMAS ETC.



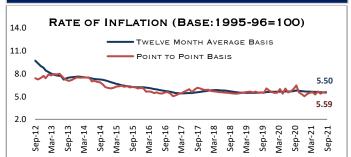
REMITTANCE FELL BY 22.04% IN OCTOBER YOY BASIS DUE TO RESURGENCE IN HUNDI AND DECLINE IN MANPOWER EXPORT.



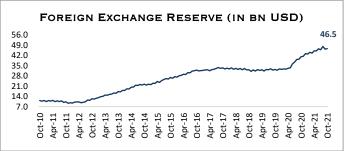
CLASSIFIED LOANS INCREASED TO 8.18% AS BORROWERS ARE DELAYING PAYMENTS DUE TO COVID.



FOOD INFLATION INCREASED BY 5 BPS AND NON-FOOD INFLATION INCREASED BY 6 BPS IN SEPTEMBER, BRINGING UP OVERALL INFLATION BY 5 BPS.



FOREX RESERVE INCREASED BY 0.6% IN OCTOBER FROM PREVIOUS MONTH DUE TO INCREASED EXPORTS.

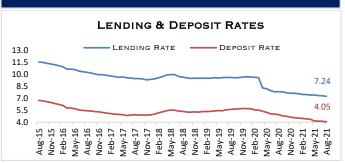


CALL MONEY RATE INCREASED BY 16 BPS IN OCTOBER COMPARED TO THE PREVIOUS MONTH.

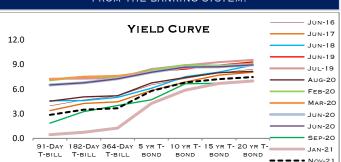




SPREAD HAS NOT CHANGED IN AUGUST'21 AS AGAINST JULY'21 AS THE CHANGE IN LENDING RATE AND DEPOSIT RATE WAS SIMILAR.



YIELD CURVE'S SHORT-TERM RATES FLATTENED AS THE GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN MOPPING UP EXCESS LIQUIDITY FROM THE BANKING SYSTEM.

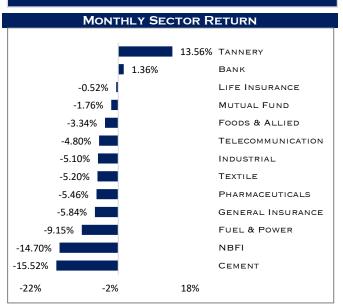


Source: Bangladesh Bank, The Financial Express

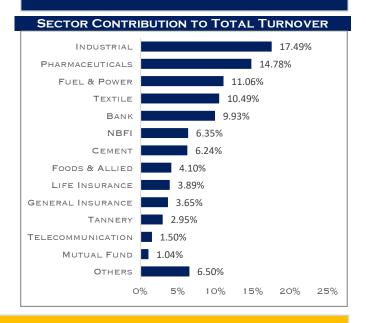
CAPITAL MARKET UPDATE

THE BROAD INDEX DSEX LOST 328 POINTS (-4.48%) DURING THE MONTH AS INVESTORS ENGAGED IN PROFIT BOOKING AND PORTFOLIO REBALANCING.

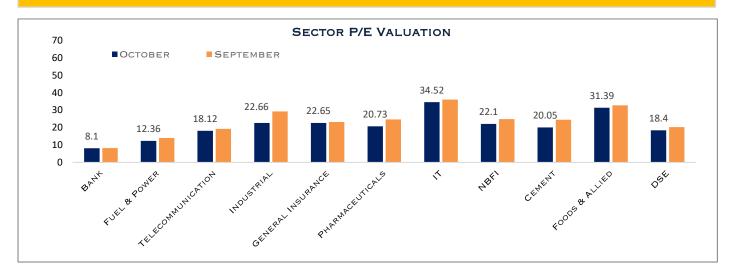
THE TANNERY SECTOR POSTED THE HIGHEST RETURN AS OPTIMISTIC INVESTORS ARE EXPECTING SALES TO PICK UP WITH RESUMPTION OF ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES.



THE INDUSTRIAL SECTOR WAS THE MOST HEAVILY TRADED DUE TO THE BARGAIN PRICES OF THE STOCKS.



THE P/E RATIO OF MAJORITY SECTORS DECLINED SLIGHTLY WITH THE OVERALL MARKET. STOCKS STILL CONTINUE TO REMAIN AT ATTRACTIVE PRICES.





AVERAGE DAILY TURNOVER DECLINED BY 19.70% DURING THE MONTH AS MARKET VOLATILITY MADE INVESTORS ADOPTED A WAIT AND SEE APPROACH.

MARKET LIQUIDITY							
	This Month	Last Month	CHANGE				
TOTAL TURNOVER (BDT MN)	370,172.74	507,063.98	-27.00%				
AVG. DAILY TURNOVER (BDT MN)	18,508.64	23,048.36	-19.70%				

BEXIMCO CONTINUED TO MAINTAIN ITS TOP POSITION IN THE TURNOVER LEADERS' CHART, FOLLOWED BY LHBL.

TURNOV	er Leaders
TICKER	TURNOVER (BDT MN)
BEXIMCO	24,137.45
LHBL	19,795.68
ORIONPHARM	18,851.15
IFIC	12,801.88
DELTALIFE	11,361.38
FORTUNE	10,161.49
BATBC	9,242.64
POWERGRID	8,231.20
NRBCBANK	7,830.27
GENEXIL	6,963.26

SONALIPAPR WAS THE TOP GAINER AS THE COMPANY DECLARED A HIGH EPS GROWTH.

Top Ten Gainers					
TICKER	% CHANGE				
SONALIPAPR	69.15%				
SHEPHERD	64.68%				
HFL	54.13%				
FORTUNE	48.99%				
NRBCBANK	31.72%				
DELTALIFE	20.46%				
IFIC	19.38%				
BEXIMCO	18.88%				
GPHISPAT	16.95%				
ORIONPHARM	14.79%				

JUNK STOCKS WERE MAINLY AMONG THE TOP 10 LOSERS DURING THE MONTH.

Top Ten Los	ERS
TICKER	% CHANGE
AZIZPIPES	-32.60%
KPPL	-31.17%
DSHGARME	-30.50%
FASFIN	-30.00%
STYLECRAFT	-29.60%
SHYAMPSUG	-29.17%
ISNLTD	-28.69%
ILFSL	-28.57%
AAMRANET	-27.65%
SHURWID	-27.35%

NOTABLE EARNINGS ANNOUNCEMENTS DURING THE MONTH

BATBC POSTED 15.18% HIGHER REVENUE FOR THE Q3 OF 2021 MAINLY DRIVEN BY VOLUME GROWTH OF CIGARETTES WHICH PUSHED UP BOTTOM-LINE EARNINGS BY 8.35% YOY. DESPITE POSTING HIGHER REVENUE DUE TO ACQUISITION OF A HIGHER NUMBER OF SUBSCRIBERS AND PROVIDING HIGH SPEED INTERNET CONNECTIVITY, GP'S BOTTOM LINE EARNINGS REGISTERED A DECLINE OF 3.79%. ON THE OTHER HAND,

TICKER	COMPANY NAME	SECTOR	EPS 2021 (JUL-SEP)	EPS 2020 (JUL-SEP)	CHANGE
BATBC	BRITISH AMERICAN TOBACCO BANGLADESH COMPANY LIMITED	FOOD & ALLIED	5.45	5.03	8.35%
GP	GRAMEENPHONE LTD	TELECOMMUNICATION	6.34	6.59	-3.79%

TICKER	COMPANY NAME	SECTOR	EPS 2021 (JAN-DEC)	EPS 2020 (JAN-DEC)	CHANGE	DIVIDEND
MJLBD	MJL BANGLADESH LIMITED	FUEL & POWER	7.53	5.52	36.41%	35% cash

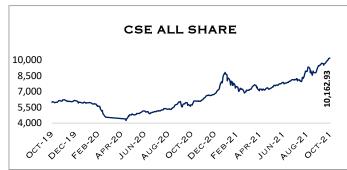
SOURCE: LR GLOBAL RESEARCH AND DSE



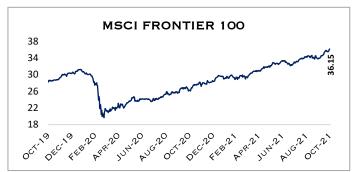
WORLD MARKET













INDICES, COMMODITIES & CURRENCIES

Indices	1-YEAR	6-Монтн	3-Монтн	1-Month	1-WEEK
S&P500	34.24%	8.81%	3.43%	4.57%	1.80%
SENSEX	50.89%	22.94%	16.59%	1.77%	-0.27%
CSE ALL	78.63%	43.59%	25.32%	13.50%	5.44%
FTSE VTNM	57.91%	17.96%	11.28%	5.19%	1.81%
MSCI FRONTIER 100	34.78%	15.26%	8.14%	4.47%	1.05%
FTSE 100	26.61%	4.16%	3.37%	2.86%	0.27%
DSEX	44.69%	26.90%	8.01%	-4.48%	-0.07%

*Note: Returns have been calculated on the basis of trading days as several exchanges across the globe remained closed for varying periods due to lockdowns.

COMMODITIES RETURN	1-YEAR	6-Монтн	3-Монтн	1-Month	1-WEEK
GOLD	-5.92%	1.44%	-0.32%	2.69%	1.72%
COPPER	41.89%	-2.40%	-2.00%	2.43%	-7.19%
CRUDE OIL	108.90%	29.44%	14.19%	11.73%	0.46%
SUGAR	32.84%	13.87%	5.86%	3.79%	-0.51%
WHEAT	23.44%	5.50%	10.03%	5.23%	3.54%

CURRENCIES RETURN*	EXCHANGE RATE	1-YEAR	6-Month	3-Монтн	1-Month	1-WEEK
Euro	0.86	1.6%	4.5%	2.0%	0.9%	0.0%
INR	75.06	0.7%	1.8%	1.0%	1.1%	0.4%
YEN	113.81	9.0%	4.8%	3.6%	2.5%	-0.3%
CNY	6.39	-3.2%	-1.3%	-1.1%	-1.2%	0.0%
VND	22,755.00	-1.8%	-1.3%	-1.1%	0.0%	0.0%
BDT	85.51	1.2%	0.9%	1.3%	0.9%	0.5%

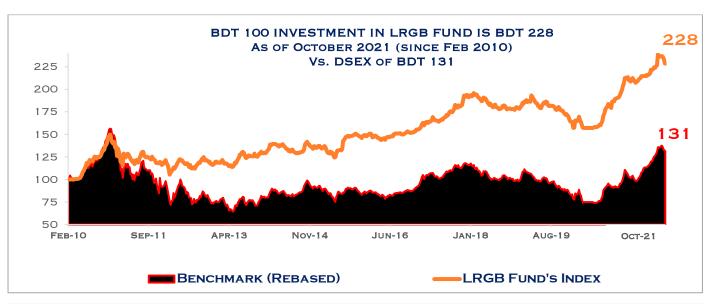
*CALCULATED AGAINST USD, POSITIVE RETURN DENOTES DEPRECIATION AGAINST USD



LR GLOBAL PORTFOLIO PERFORMANCE

CONSISTENTLY OUTPERFORMED THE BENCHMARK INDEX ACROSS ALL FUNDS SINCE INCEPTION DUE TO OUR SECURITY SELECTION, ASSET ALLOCATION, MARKET TIMING, AND RISK MANAGEMENT PROCESS.

*Note: DSE remained closed from 26th March to 28th May 2020 due to lockdown.



LR GLOBAL MANAGED FUNDS HAVE CONSISTENTLY BEAT THE MARKET WITH OVER 40% CASH DIVIDENDS ON AVERAGE. DESPITE A FLAT MARKET SINCE 2010, LR GLOBAL MANAGED FUNDS HAVE MATERIALLY OUTPERFORMED THE BENCHMARK INDEX.

VALUE ADDITION HISTORY	SINCE INCEPTION	10-YR	9-YR	8-YR	7-YR	6-YR	5-YR	4-YR	3-YR	2-YR	1-YR
CUMULATIVE RETURN LR GLOBAL	128.46%	85.82%	85.08%	81.68%	61.10%	53.42%	50.64%	25.59%	28.30%	31.93%	20.57%
CUMULATIVE RETURN (DSEX)	31.00%	19.06%	51.01%	73.95%	32.46%	49.90%	51.21%	16.48%	30.09%	46.71%	41.66%
LR GLOBAL VALUE ADDITION	97.46%	66.76%	34.06%	7.73%	28.65%	3.52%	-0.56%	9.10%	-1.80%	-14.79%	-21.08%
MA	TERIAL V	ALUE A	DDITIO	N IN AN	UP & D	OWN M	ARKETS	(ANN	UALIZI	ED)	
LR GLOBAL RETURN	7.38%	6.39%	7.08%	7.75%	7.05%	7.39%	8.54%	5.86%	8.66%	14.86%	20.57%
DSEX RETURN	2.36%	1.76%	4.69%	7.17%	4.10%	6.98%	8.62%	3.89%	9.17%	21.12%	41.66%
LR GLOBAL VALUE ADDITION	5.03%	4.63%	2.39%	0.58%	2.95%	0.41%	-0.08%	1.97%	-0.51%	-6.27%	-21.08%
ACTIVE	MANAGE	MENT H	HISTORY	(LOW	BETA &	GENER	ATED C	ONSIS	TENT A	ALPHA	.)
BETA (LR GLOBAL VS DSEX)	0.32	0.29	0.40	0.44	0.46	0.47	0.47	0.47	0.47	0.48	0.47
JENSEN'S ALPHA	4.13%	3.28%	3.00%	2.53%	3.18%	2.18%	2.56%	2.09%	2.42%	2.76%	-0.90%
	CUMULATIVE CASH DIVIDEND HISTORY										
	2021 - SINCE INCEPTION	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
DIVIDEND (BDT MN)	4,249.21	3,687.71	3,609.04	3,108.61	2,469.41	1,833.27	1,263.90	766.79	727.04	378.00	378.00
DIVIDEND % OF PAR	48.84%	42.39%	41.48%	35.73%	28.38%	21.07%	14.53%	8.81%	8.36%	8.04%	8.04%



LR GLOBAL INDIVIDUAL PORTFOLIO DIVIDEND HISTORY

CONSISTENT PERFORMANCE ACROSS ALL FUNDS INCLUDING CASH DIVIDEND HISTORY DESPITE BEAR MARKETS OVER LAST 10 YEARS RETURNED OVER 40% CASH OF INITIAL INVESTMENT TO UNIT HOLDERS

DIVIDEND HISTORY	DBHISTMF	GREENDELMF	AIBLISTIMF	MBLISTMF	LRGLOBMF1	NCCBLMF1
FUND INCEPTION DATE	4-Feb-10	23-Sep-10	6-Jan-11	3-Feb-11	15-Sep-11	24-May-12
INITIAL FUND SIZE (BDT MN)	1,200	1,500	1,000	1,000	3,000	1,000
TL CASH DIVIDEND (BDT MN)	811.20	652.50	537.50	485.00	1,250.33	512.68
% TOTAL DIVIDEND TO PAR	68%	44%	54%	49%	42%	51%

^{***}INCLUDES REINVESTMENT UNITS

ALL INDIVIDUAL FUNDS MATERIALLY OUTPERFOMED THE BENCHMARK (DSEX) AND RETURNED OVER 40% CASH DIVIDEND ON AVERAGE.

CUMULATIVE DIVIDEND YIELD	DBH 1 STMF	GREENDELMF	AIBL1STIMF	MBL1STMF	LRGLOBMF1	NCCBLMF 1
5 YEAR	41.32%	42.74%	44.39%	45.88%	30.66%	36.72%
4 YEAR	35.51%	36.99%	35.76%	36.23%	23.99%	31.42%
3 YEAR	25.52%	26.67%	25.66%	26.73%	13.66%	18.46%
2 YEAR	15.92%	16.07%	15.03%	15.53%	5.71%	9.89%
1 YEAR	15.70%	15.29%	13.59%	14.24%	0.00%	8.67%

CUMULATIVE DIV. YIELD (ANNUALIZED)	DBH1STMF	GREENDELMF	AIBL1STIMF	MBL1STMF	LRGLOBMF 1	NCCBLMF 1
5 YEAR	8.26%	8.55%	8.88%	9.18%	6.13%	7.34%
4 YEAR	8.88%	9.25%	8.94%	9.06%	6.00%	7.85%
3 YEAR	8.51%	8.89%	8.55%	8.91%	4.55%	6.15%
2 YEAR	7.96%	8.03%	7.52%	7.77%	2.86%	4.95%
1 YEAR	15.70%	15.29%	13.59%	14.24%	0.00%	8.67%

Note: The dividend data used for LRGLOBMF1 and NCCBLMF1 is for 2020 while the rest are for 2021.

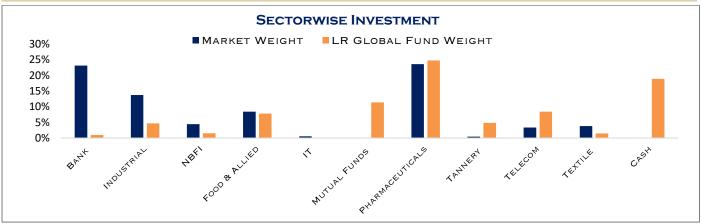
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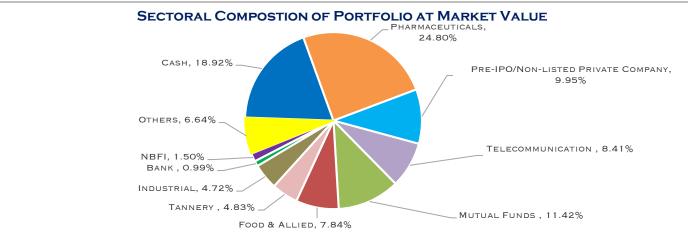
Monthly Market Performance					
	Ост'21	SEP'21	RETURN		
DSEX	7,000.95	7,329.04	-4.48%		
DBH1STMF	11.29	11.70	-3.50%		
GREENDELMF	11.24	11.63	-3.35%		
AIBL1STIMF	11.23	11.65	-3.61%		
MBL1STMF	11.97	12.46	-3.93%		
LRGLOBMF1	13.08	13.50	-3.11%		
NCCBLMF1	12.73	13.14	-3.12%		



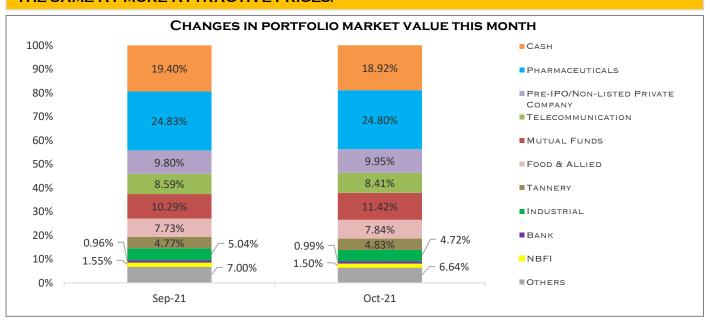
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LR GLOBAL'S PORTFOLIO IS UNDERWEIGHT IN ALL SECTORS COMPARED TO THE BENCHMARK INDEX, EXCEPT THE PHARMACEUTICALS, TELECOMMUNICATION, MUTUAL FUNDS, AND TANNERY SECTOR. MOREOVER, WE ARE ALSO WELL POSITIONED TO BUY UNDERVALUED SECURITIES WHEN APPROPRIATE.





WE ARE TAKING SELECTIVE POSITIONS IN WELL CAPITALIZED AND FOCUSED COMPANIES AND ALSO EVALUATING DISCOUNTED AND TRANSPARENT MUTUAL FUNDS TO GAIN EXPOSURE. WE PRIMARILY BOOKED PROFITS FROM FEW STOCKS AND ARE BUYING BACK THE SAME AT MORE ATTRACTIVE PRICES.



SOURCE: LR GLOBAL



DBH1STMF MATERIALLY OUTPERFORMED THE BENCHMARK INDEX BY 68.4% AND DISBURSED 67.6% CASH DIVIDEND SINCE INCEPTION.



GREENDELMF MATERIALLY OUTPERFORMED THE BENCHMARK INDEX BY 57.4% AND DISBURSED 43.5% CASH DIVIDEND SINCE INCEPTION.



AIBL1STIMF MATERIALLY OUTPERFORMED THE BENCHMARK INDEX BY 90.1% AND DISBURSED 53.8% CASH DIVIDEND SINCE INCEPTION.



MBL1STMF MATERIALLY OUTPERFORMED THE BENCHMARK INDEX BY 86.0% AND DISBURSED 48.5% CASH DIVIDEND SINCE INCEPTION.



LRGLOBMF1 MATERIALLY OUTPERFORMED THE BENCHMARK INDEX BY 77.8% AND DISBURSED 41.7% CASH DIVIDEND SINCE INCEPTION.



NCCBLMF1 MATERIALLY OUTPERFORMED THE BENCHMARK INDEX BY 53.9% AND DISBURSED 51.3% OF CASH DIVIDEND SINCE INCEPTION.

